MEIJI - SHŌWA ERA PIECES

PEONY VASE

A COLLECTION OF MIXED METAL
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FROM VARIOUS MAKERS

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Japanese *peony vases*

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HOW TO MAKE A CAST-COPPER FLOWER VASE

This is a cast-copper flower vase made in TAKAOKA City (Toyama Pref.) where famous for the production of a cast-copper work.

The Japanese unique pattern (Mt Fuji and Crane)is a good luck symbol used on the occasion of a happy event. and its paintings are completed by the twice sprays of special lacquer paint; at first making the ground work with a dark gray or brown and then complete the design of Mt Fuji and Crane by spraying some metallic paint looks silver.

To prevent the lacquer or metallic paint from coming off, the vases are put into the electric furnace and gradually heated and chemically disposed by the conveyer system.

Alloys Used in Japanese Mixed Metal Vases:

Shakudō (赤銅): A copper-gold alloy (typically around 95% copper and 5% gold) that develops a beautiful, deep blue-black or purplish-black patina when treated with a special pickling solution called niiro.

Shibuichi (四分一): An alloy of copper and silver, with the proportion of silver varying widely (from as low as 3% to as high as 90%, though around 25% is common, hence the name meaning "one-fourth"). Depending on the silver content and the patination process, shibuichi can range in color from light silvery-grey to darker grey, brown, and even greenish hues.

Kurogane (鉄): Iron or steel, often used for its dark color and texture, providing a strong contrast to the other, softer metals.

Sentoku (宣徳): A brass alloy containing copper, zinc, and sometimes small amounts of other metals like tin or lead. It typically has a yellowish-gold color.

Copper (銅 - Dō): Used in its pure form for its reddish-brown color.

Silver (銀 - Gin): Employed for its bright white color and luster.

Gold (金 - Kin): Used sparingly, often as pure gold or in alloys, for highlights and accents due to its preciousness and bright yellow color.

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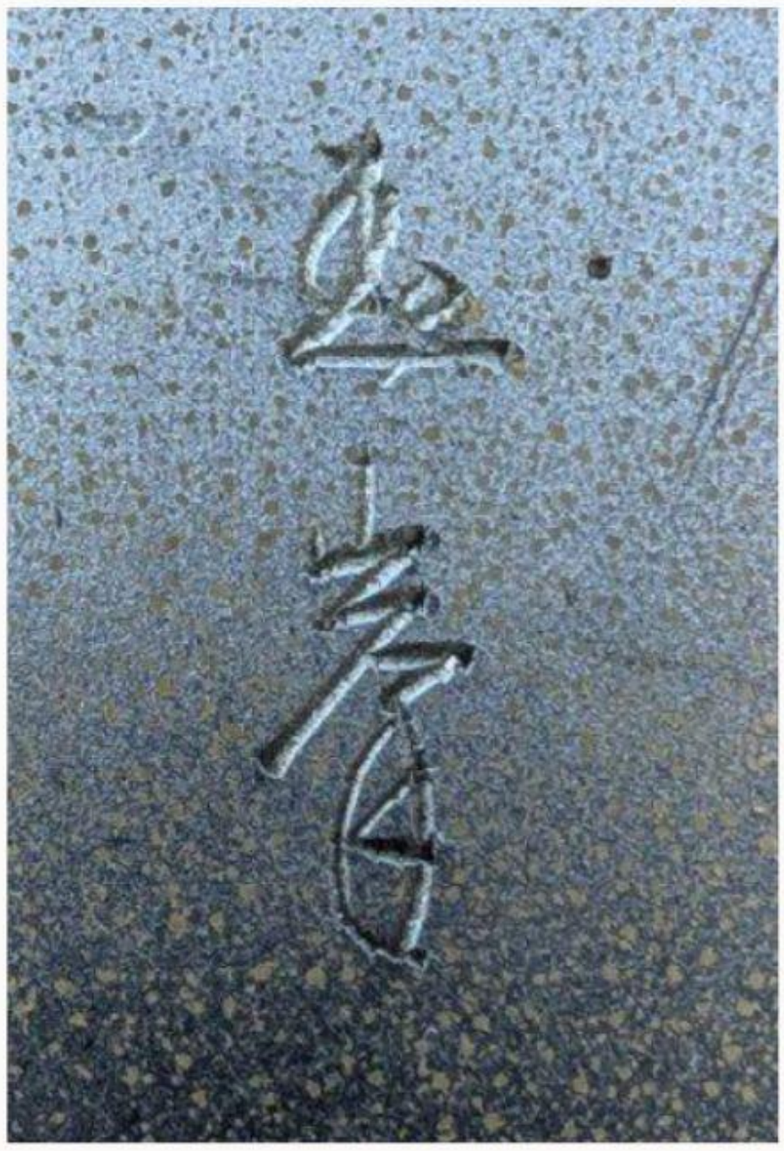

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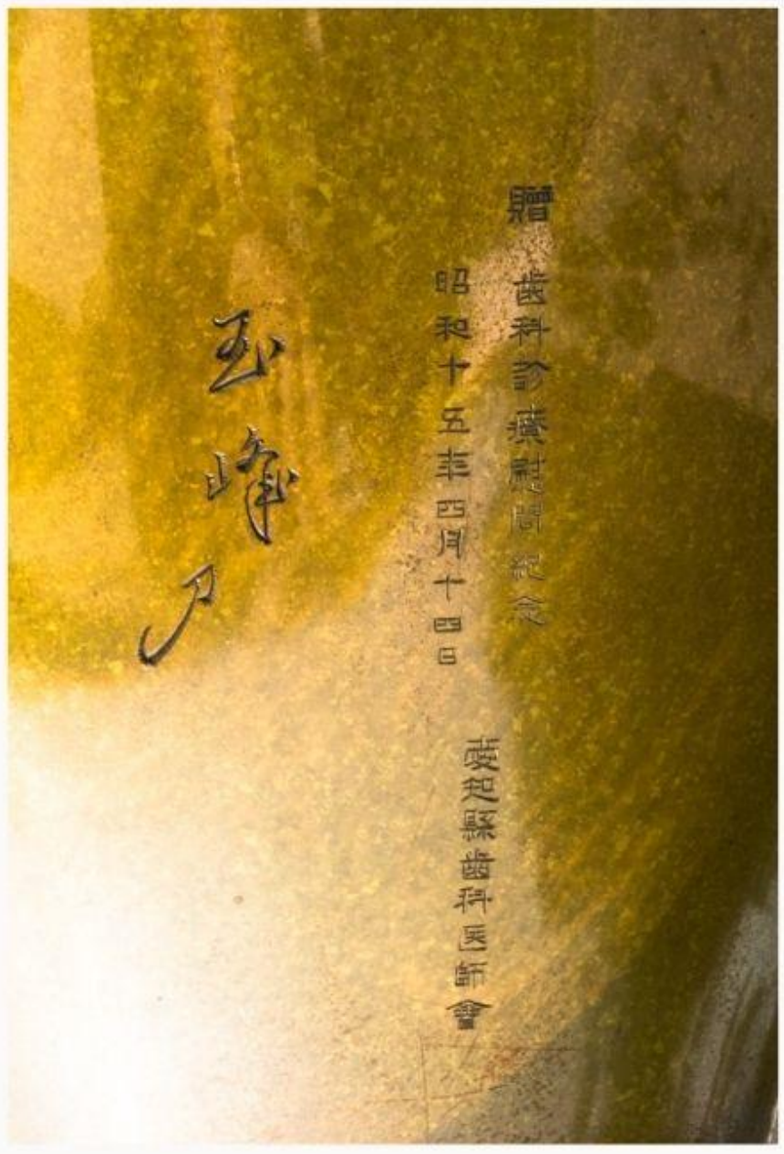

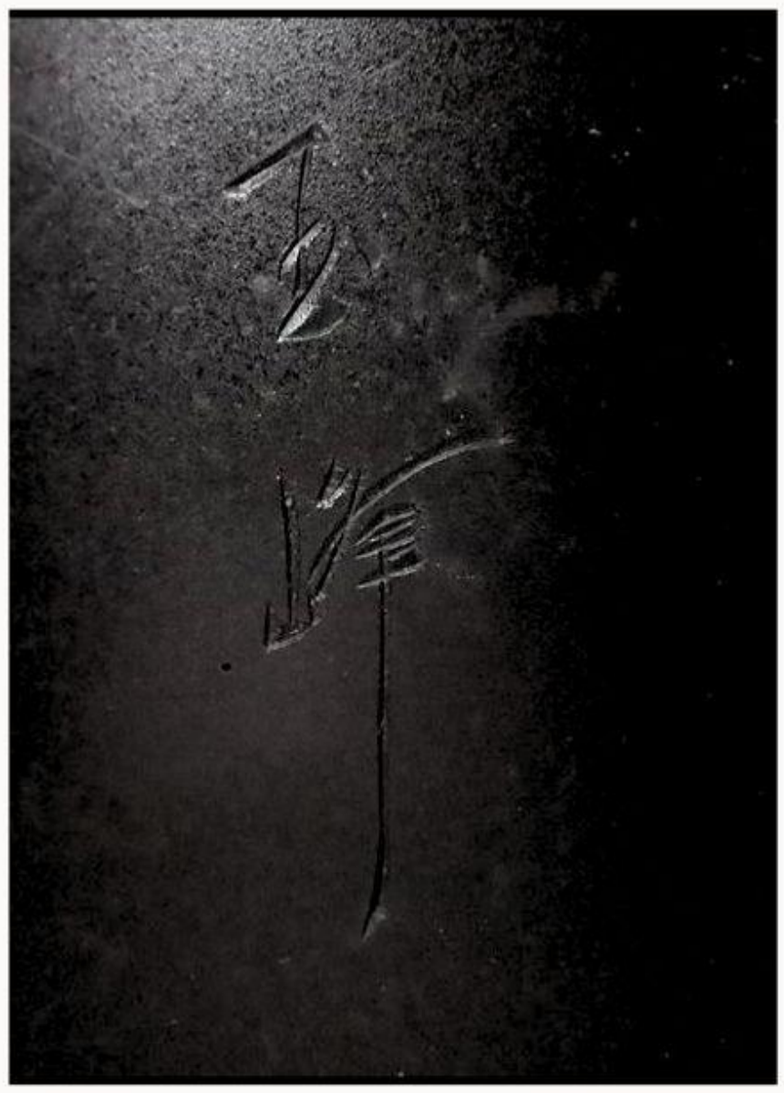

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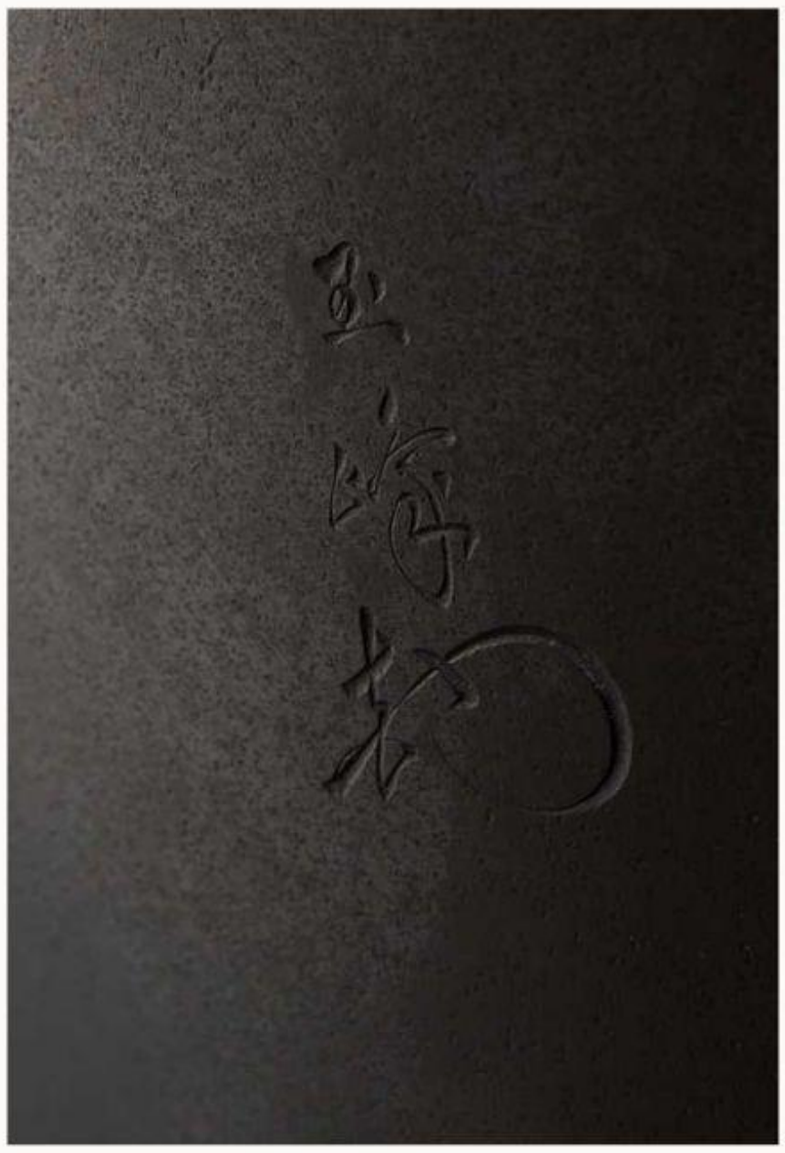

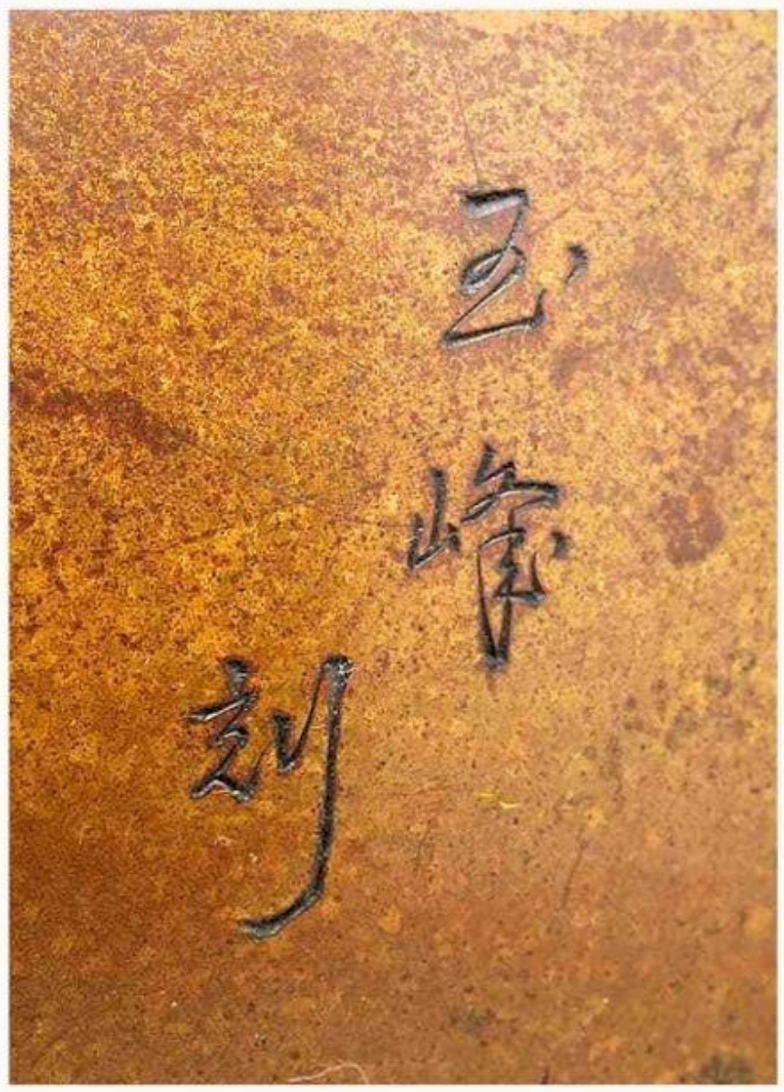

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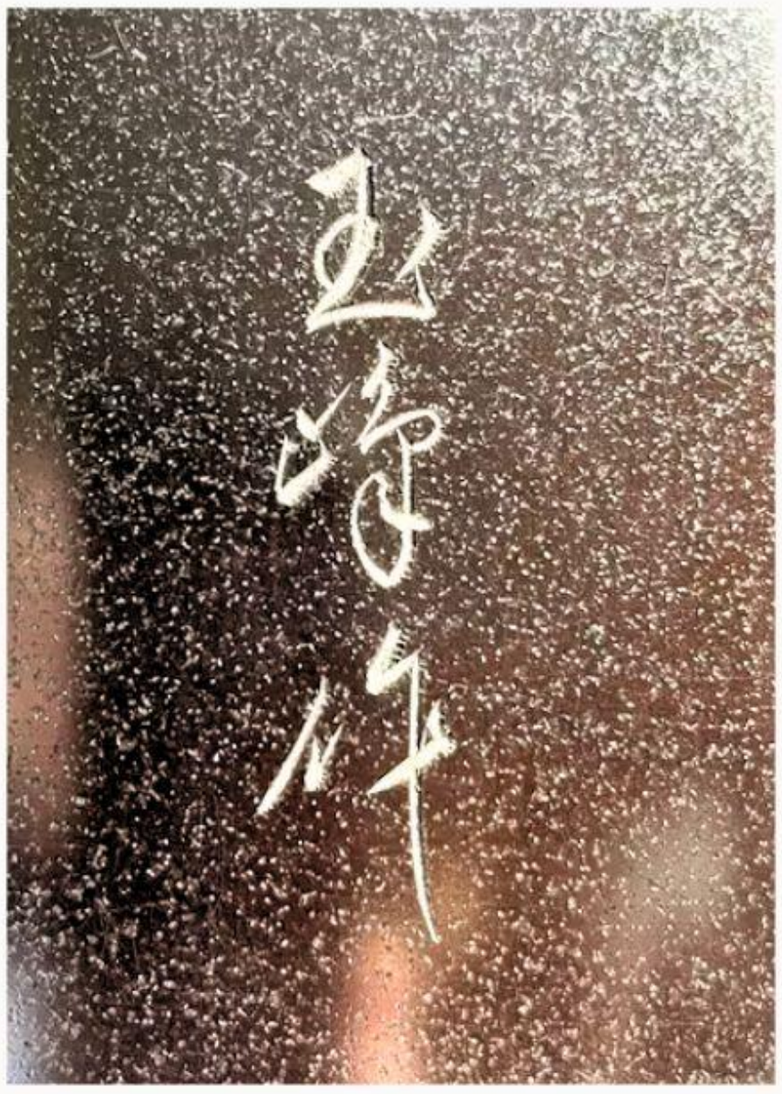

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Kanji 玉

1. A gem, jewel
2. Beauty, elegance
3. An euphemistic term related to an Emperor of Japan
4. An euphemistic term related to a partner
5. A Geisha

Kanji 峯

1. A peak, summit of a mountain.

Kanji 峰

1. A summit of a mountain, peak

From 御み (mi, honorific prefix) + **峰ね** (ne, "peak"),[2] in reference to the 神 (kami, "god or spirit") at the top of a mountain. Now the standard spelling for a peak.

Kanji 刻

1. To engrave, carve
2. A moment in time

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